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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 2, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 12-22 without prejudice and add the following new claims. Claims 1-11 are unamended, but are reproduced below for the Examiner's convenience and reference.

1. A method for classifying defects comprising:
imaging an inspected object;
extracting an image of a defect candidate from an image obtained by said
imaging step;

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